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Patent No. 5,979,350 of:

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For: **WATER SPORT TOWING APPARATUS
AND METHOD**

REISSUE LITIGATION

Examiner: Stephen Avila

Art Unit: 3612

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO APRIL 24, 2001,
OFFICE ACTION (PAPER NO. 8)**

Applicant submits the following remarks in full response to the Examiner's April 24, 2001, Office Action.

REMARKS

Applicant's undersigned counsel appreciates the courtesy of the telephone interview with the Examiner on Monday, May 14, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Applicant's proposed remarks, as set out below, were discussed, but no agreement was reached at the conclusion of the interview.

Applicant notes with appreciation that the Examiner has fully considered the prior art listed in the Protest and found that the patented claims define over the listed art. Applicant also notes that no objection or rejection has been made as to the petition to correct inventorship in order to add Robert Todd as an inventor.